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SITUATION REPORT

May/June Rain Event

Initial Report

June 6, 2001

Heavy rains and localized flooding throughout the State of Missouri. The Missouri River and its tributaries in West Central Missouri has been of concern since heavy rains and localized thunderstorms have been occuring since May 29-30, 2001. The ground has been saturated since the weekend of May 19-20, 2001 and this has caused large amounts of moisture to run-off and inundate low-land (primarily agriculture) areas. The Missouri River has been at bank full (or near bank full) in many areas since Friday, June 1st. Many tributaries have been flooding among them, the Lamine, Blackwater, Grand Rivers is west central Missouri. In Cole County, Wiers Creek, Gray's Creek and Moreau Rivers are bank full or flooding in agricultural areas.

County Reports:

Ray County: Reported damages to some roads and bridges; and that a driver ran off the road (East 168th) near Vibbard, Missouri - Northeast of Excelsior Springs, Missouri. She had run off the road and struck an embankment and water then washed the vehicle into a creek, where she drowned.

Pettis County: Mr. Tim Mosier - Pettis County Emergency Management Director reported a "micro-burst" at the State Fair Grounds...about 30 trees downed on the grounds, but no building damage.

Boone County: Reported about 10 county roads covered by water. No Serious problems to date.

Miller County: County Clerk reported flood debris piling up at low water crossings.

McDonald County: Reported five inches of rain that caused massive water damage to State Highways F, Missouri Routes 76 and 59. Kansas City Southern Railroad underpass is being affected. Numerous county roads were reported as damaged or destroyed. Hail damage to private residences as well as water damage.

Other counties: Many counties reported minor damages from flooding, road closures or low water crossing being affected.

Motor Carrier and Railroad Safety reports that no railroad transportation companies have been affected by this last round of storms.

SEMA actions: Continues to monitor the situation and has contacted many local officials for updated reports. A damage survey team has been dispatched to McDonald County to survey damages to homes and infrastructure.

Forecast: National Weather Service from Kansas City indicates that there may be a break in the weather pattern after today. There is an upflow of moisture from the remnants of Tropical Storm Allison that may cause rain events in the lower Mississippi Valley which would include a portion of Missouri.